University of Wyoming University Studies Program 2003 Implementation-
Transfer Student Policy

Revised requirements for the University Studies Program will become effective for all first
time students initially entering UW and the Wyoming Community Colleges fall semester
2003 (USP 2003). Students matriculating at UW and the Wyoming Community Colleges
prior to fall 2003, and that have maintained continuous enrollment, will have the option of
completing either USP 1991 or USP 2003 requirements.

The UW –Wyoming CC General Education Articulation Agreement
(http://uwyo.edu/unst/Artic_agree.pdf) currently applies to students transferring to UW
with the Associate of Arts or Science (AA/AS) degree. Under the agreement students who
transfer with less than an AA or AS degree will have their transcript evaluated for USP 2003
requirements on a course-by-course basis using the Wyoming Higher Education Transfer
Guide. The Transfer Guide will require updating and maintenance for the new USP
requirements as new courses are developed and existing courses modified. Steps for
transition to USP 2003 follow:

1. Implementation of USP 2003 will not affect students who fulfill the requirements of
the UW-Wyoming CC General Education Articulation Agreement. These students
will have satisfied all UW lower division USP 2003 requirements. Individual UW
college and department requirements must still be met.

2. Students transferring to UW prior to fall semester 2003 will complete existing USP
1991 requirements.

3. Students who transfer from a Wyoming CC with less than an AA or AS degree, and
students transferring from out-of-state institutions, beginning fall semester 2003 will
have their courses evaluated for satisfaction of appropriate USP (1991 or 2003)
requirements on a course-by-course basis, based on all approved USP courses.

4. The UW Registrar will devise and disseminate a USP coding system that identifies
courses approved for USP 1991 and/or USP 2003. This coding will be published in
the UW General Bulletin, Transfer Guide, and UW class schedules beginning in fall
2003.

Rationale
The Wyoming Higher Education Transfer Guide will continue to be an integral element in
statewide higher education articulation. UW and Wyoming Community College faculty will
benefit from additional time for collaborative course and curriculum dialogue and
articulation in the development of courses for USP 2003. Such time will provide faculty
opportunity to craft an even stronger higher education academic community among our
eight institutions. Renewed departmental articulation efforts are an important element in the
strengthening of this higher education academic community.